

New Rural Public Transportation Service Debuts in Yuma County

A new leg of the Yuma County Area Transit (YCAT) system has begun service between Wellton and Yuma. The Arizona Department of Transportation and the Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization have initiated the new Regional Transportation Connector Service.

The Regional Transportation Connector Service is one of four, three-year state pilot projects. The intent of the service is to provide transportation for employment, educational/job training, medical and other purposes between rural and urban areas.

The service runs Monday through Saturday with three round trips starting at Yuma: 5:55 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.; 11:20 a.m. to 1:25 p.m.; and 7:00 p.m. to 9:05 p.m. Stops include locations in the Foothills, the Arizona Western/NAU Campus, Wal-Mart, and the transfer site to all of the YCAT Routes at the Yuma Palms Shopping Center. The fare from Wellton to Yuma is \$6 for a round trip, and the fare for a round trip from either Yuma to the Foothills or Wellton to the Foothills is \$4.

The Federal Transit Administration and the Public Transportation Division of the Arizona Department of Transportation are providing the funding for the service.

For information concerning the route schedule, please visit ympo.org or call the YCAT information line at 928-783-2235.